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Title of the Invention: METHOD FOR PRODUCING ENDOTOXIN-FREE NUCLEIC ACIDS AND THE USE THEREOF

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Dear Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action dated February 12, 2003, Applicants request entry of the amendments below and reconsideration of the application in light of the remarks contained herein. An Information Disclosure Statement and submission of a translated copy of the priority document accompany this response.

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